

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 29, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable David E. Price
Chair
Subcommittee on Transportation, and
Housing and Urban Development, and
Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart
Ranking Member
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Dear Chair DeLauro, Ranking Member Granger, Chair Price, and Ranking Member Diaz-Balart,

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2023 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you consider providing \$1,000,000 for the Rescue Mission Alliance, located at 155 Gifford Street, Syracuse NY, 13202, for the purposes of carrying out their West Onondaga Street Development Project.

The requested funding amount of \$1,000,000 would be used by Rescue Mission Alliance for design purposes and preliminary site work for a new multi-use building located on West Onondaga Street in Syracuse. This building would include 25,000 square feet of warehouse space, 12,000 square feet of retail and commercial space, as well as office space for Rescue Mission Alliance employees. Utilization of this space would support Rescue Mission Alliance activities, including their operation of a 183-bed emergency shelter and a food services center that provides three hot meals a day, seven days a week.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have significant economic benefits for my constituents in Central New York. In addition to supporting Rescue Mission Alliance operations, utilization of this multipurpose space would immediately create new jobs and attract additional economic activity to Syracuse's developing westside. This project is also consistent with the goals of the city's Downtown Revitalization Initiative, through which the Rescue Mission Alliance is also seeking funding.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Furthermore, I am not aware of any other Member of Congress submitting a request for this purpose. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Katko", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Katko
Member of Congress